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SUBJ: US- USSR ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT

1. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO TAKE UP FOLLOWING MATTERS
WITH HYDROMET OR OTHER APPROPRIATE AGENCY AS SOON
AS POSSIBLE:

2. RE MOSCOW 3793, SCIATT SHOULD STATE OUR REGRET
AT BREACH OF JANUARY 31 AGREEMENT FOR SOVIET
PARTICIPATION IN MCVAY WHALE PROJECT. US SIDE
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INVESTED HEAVILY IN THIS PROJECT FOLLOWING FORMAL SOVIET AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE, AND LATE NOTIFICATION-- ONE WEEK BEFORE START OF PROJECT, NINE WEEKS AFTER SOVIET SIDE SIGNED AGREEMENT TO PARTICIPATE-- WAS EXTREMELY EMBARRASSING IN A NUMBER OF WAYS. CHAIRMAN TRAIN IS PREPARING MESSAGE TO FEDOROV ON SUBJECT:.

3. UNDER SAME WILDLIFE AGREEMENT, US SPONSOR OF MIGRATORY SWAN PROJECT, PROFESSOR WILLIAM J. L. SLADEN OF JOHNS HOPKINS, HAS YET TO HEAR FROM DR. A. A. KISTCHINSKI (CENTRAL LABORATORY ON NATURE CONSERVATION, USSR MINAGRICULTURE), WHO IS DUE TO VISIT US THIS SUMMER. IN ORDER SECURE FUNDING TO PAY FOR KISTCHINSKI VISIT, DR. SLADEN NEEDS HAVE CONFIRMATION IN NEAR FUTURE THAT HE WILL BE COMING. PLEASE REQUEST HYDROMET TO LOOK INTO THIS ONE, SINCE WE WOULD NOT WISH ANOTHER LAST- MINUTE DISAPPOINTMENT.

4. FINALLY ON WILDLIFE, CHAIRMAN LINDUSKA SAYS HE IS EXPECTING CLEAN CORRECTED COPY OF MINUTE OF JANUARY 31 FROM EMBASSY, AND WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF SCIATT COULD FORWARD AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.

5. RE EARTHQUAKE PREDICTION GROUP DUE APRIL 22, ALL PREPARATIONS ARE IN HAND. CHAIRMAN WALLACE OF USGS ASKS THAT SCIATT POLITELY REMIND HYDROMET TO REMIND VISITORS THAT VISIT IS, AS THEY KNOW, ON SENDING SIDE PAYS BASIS, SO THAT THEY WILL BE EXPECTED TO HAVE FUNDS FOR THEIR EXPENSES, IN PARTICULAR INTERNAL AIR TRAVEL AND HOTELS.

6. RE PARA 3 OF STATE 061422, MARINE OIL POLLUTION, BALSLEY HAS LOOKED INTO END- OF- APRIL RECEPTION OF TWO- MAN GROUP AND FINDS VISIT THIS EARLY IMPRACTICABLE. HE WILL DISCUSS LATER VISIT DIRECTLY WITH KARAYEV FOLLOWING REPLY TO REFTEL. (RE PARA 4 REFTEL, MARINE ORGANISMS, REPEAT NEED FOR CONFIRMATION OF VISIT IN NEAREST FUTURE. STRESS TO HYDROMET AMOUNT OF PREPARATION PUT INTO THIS VISIT.)

7. RE STATE 051236, LEGAL/ ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP, UNCLASSIFIED

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VISA APPLICATIONS RECEIVED (MOSCOW 3755) BUT NEED

ANSWERS REFTEL. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE URGENTLY FROM TIMOTHY ATKESON OF CEQ TO KOLBASOV (AND HYDROMET): DEAR DR. KOLBASOV: URGENTLY NEED RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS MESSAGE REQUESTING YOUR CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA AND ITINERARY FOR YOUR DELEGATION' S VISIT TO US MAY 6-20. ALSO NEED CONFIRMATION YOUR OTHER POINTS, INCLUDING YOUR ABILITY TO HANDLE US TRAVEL EXPENSES. I HAVE RECEIVED USEFUL REPORT FROM JACKSON AND LENEVSKY CONCERNING THEIR MARCH 30 CONVERSATION WITH YOU AND MATERIALS YOU SENT ON LEGAL ASPECTS OF SOVIET ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM. I BELIEVE WE ARE IN POSITION TO CONDUCT USEFUL DISCUSSIONS AND VISITS IF YOU CAN SUPPLY AFFIRMATIVE ANSWERS TO MY PREVIOUS MESSAGE PROMPTLY.

8. FURTHER TO PARAGRAPH 5 THIS TELEGRAM, USGS HAS MADE RESERVATIONS FOR SOVIET GROUP IN NEW YORK AT ST. MORITZ HOTEL, 50 CENTRAL PARK SOUTH. IF GROUP HAS MADE OTHER RESERVATIONS OR IF THESE RESERVATIONS UNSATISFACTORY, PLEASE ADVISE SO THAT ALTERNATIVES CAN BE ARRANGED. USGS ALSO WISHES TO KNOW IF GROUP WILL BE TICKETED FOR INTERNAL U. S. TRAVEL IN ADVANCE OR IF TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED AFTER THEY ARRIVE. FORMER IS STRONGLY URGED. ROGERS

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